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BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of)	FPPC No.: 99/727
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THE DOCTORS' COMPANY POLITICAL)	STIPULATION, DECISION and
ACTION COMMITTEE and JAMES)	ORDER
CATHCART,)	
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Respondents.)	

Complainant, Luisa Menchaca, General Counsel and Acting Executive Director of the Fair Political Practices Commission, and Respondents, The Doctors' Company Political Action Committee ("DOCPAC"), and James Cathcart, hereby agree that this Stipulation will be submitted for consideration by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

The parties agree to enter into this Stipulation to resolve all factual and legal issues raised in this matter and to reach a final disposition without the necessity of holding an administrative hearing to determine the liability of Respondents.

Respondents understand, and hereby knowingly and voluntarily waive, any and all procedural rights set forth in sections 83115.5 and 11503 of the Government Code, and in section 18361 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, the right to personally appear at any administrative hearing held in this matter, to be represented by an attorney at Respondents' own

1 expense, to confront and cross-examine all witnesses testifying at the hearing, to subpoena witnesses to
2 testify at the hearing, to have an impartial administrative law judge preside over the hearing as a hearing
3 officer, and to have the matter judicially reviewed.

4 It is further stipulated and agreed that Respondents violated the Political Reform Act by failing
5 to timely disclose a \$62,152 payment on a first pre-election campaign statement, in violation of section
6 84211, subdivision (f) of the Government Code, as described in Exhibit 1, which is attached hereto and
7 incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Exhibit 1 is a true and accurate summary of
8 the facts in this matter.

9 Respondents agree to the issuance of the Decision and Order, which is attached hereto.
10 Respondents also agree to the Commission imposing upon them an administrative penalty of Two
Thousand Dollars (\$2,000). A cashier check from Respondents in said amount, made payable to the
12 "General Fund of the State of California," is submitted with this Stipulation as full payment of the
13 administrative penalty, and shall be held by the State of California until the Commission issues its
14 Decision and Order regarding this matter. The parties agree that in the event the Commission refuses to
15 accept this Stipulation, it shall become null and void, and within fifteen (15) business days after the
16 Commission meeting at which the Stipulation is rejected, all payments tendered by Respondents in
7 connection with this Stipulation shall be reimbursed to Respondents. Respondents further stipulate and
18 agree that in the event the Commission rejects the Stipulation and a full evidentiary hearing before the
19 Commission becomes necessary, neither any member of the Commission, nor the Executive Director,
20 shall be disqualified because of prior consideration of this Stipulation.

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22 Dated: 3/18/03



Luisa Menchaca, General Counsel and Acting Executive
Director, Fair Political Practices Commission

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25 Dated: 2-28-03



James Cathcart, individually and on behalf of The Doctors'
Company Political Action Committee and The Doctors'
Company, Respondents

1 **DECISION AND ORDER**

2 The foregoing stipulation of the parties “In the Matter of The Doctors’ Company Political Action
3 Committee and James Cathcart, FPPC No. 99/727,” including all attached exhibits, is hereby accepted as
4 the final decision and order of the Fair Political Practices Commission, effective upon execution below
5 by the Chairman.

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7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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9 Dated: _____

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Chairman
Fair Political Practices Commission